



**CITY OF ATLANTA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

## **HOUSING INVENTORY & ANALYSIS**

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**1. What is the purpose of the comprehensive housing inventory and analysis?**

The purpose of the housing inventory and analysis is twofold. First, it will help to define and identify the conditions of City of Atlanta neighborhoods. Second, using data collected, the study will assist the City of Atlanta, along with public and private partners, in making strategic investments to create new opportunities for affordable housing and sustainable economic opportunities within targeted communities.

**2. Who is performing the survey on behalf of the City of Atlanta?**

Asset Property Disposition Solutions, LLC (APDS) is the consultant who will be conducting the housing inventory and analysis for the Department of Planning and Community Development.

**3. When will Phase I start?**

The Windshield Survey began in November and is scheduled to end in the spring of 2012.

**4. What will be the outcome of the Windshield Survey?**

The results of the survey will produce a database that will be both updateable in GIS and will serve as the basis for the recommendations that will be formulated in phase II.

## **5. What areas will be included in the survey?**

APDS will simultaneously begin the study city wide. Citizens should expect to see an identification badge on all APDS survey workers as they do housing inventory work throughout all neighborhoods from beginning in November until spring 2012.

## **6. How many parcels of property are there in the City of Atlanta?**

There are an estimated 167,000 parcels of residential and commercial property in the City of Atlanta.

## **7. How much does the survey cost?**

The total cost of both the survey and written recommendations is \$250,000.

## **8. What data will be collected in the survey?**

The survey workers will be taking pictures of every home, vacant lot and commercial building on each street. Survey workers will also use census data and foreclosure data to get additional information about neighborhood conditions.

## **9. What hours will the surveyors be in the neighborhood?**

The survey workers are not city employees, but they will have a city-issued identification badge clearly displayed on the outside of their clothing. The survey workers will be in neighborhoods Monday - Sunday from 8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

## **10. Will the surveyors knock on my door?**

The survey workers will **not** knock on any doors and they have no need to have direct contact with citizens.

## **11. Will the survey data be made available to the public?**

In the short term, the survey data will only be accessible to departments within the City and specific stakeholders such as the City's CDC's (community development corporations). In the long term, the survey data will eventually be made available to the public at large.